

SENATE BILL 2629

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41, Chapter 2, Part 1; Title 57, Chapter 5, Part 2; Title 68, Chapter 211; and Chapter 616 of the Public Acts of 2010, to enact the "Tennessee Beverage Container Recycling Refunds Act".

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 211, is amended by adding the following as a new part:

68-211-901. This part shall be known and may be cited as the "Tennessee Beverage Container Recycling Refunds Act".

68-211-902. Beginning April 1, 2017, every deposit beverage container in this state shall have a Tennessee refund of five cents (5¢). The refund value is the amount of the deposit required. Once a refund value has been applied to a deposit beverage container, the deposit on that container shall not be charged or collected more than once.

68-211-903. Inventory already in circulation on April 1, 2017, shall be affixed or sold with an adhesive sticker bearing the refund value of the container, the words "Tennessee" or the letters "TN", and a bar code bearing the redemption information.

68-211-904. The department of revenue shall have the authority to promulgate rules in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5, to implement the provisions of this part.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of the department of revenue promulgating rules, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect September 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.